THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVILAVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) and (b) Government has decided to set up a world class flying training institute at Gondia, Maharashtra under the aegis of Airports Authority of India (AAI).

On the basis of estimated growth in civil aviation sector there will be a requirement of 5000 pilots in the next five years.

The Government has taken various steps to reduce the gap between demand and supply of skilled Indian pilots. These include conditionally increasing the age-limt to 65 years for pilots, upgradation and modernisation of training infrastructure of the Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Uran Akademi (IGRUA) to enhance its training capacity from 40 to 100 pilots per year and assistance to flying clubs by allocating trainer aircraft through Directorate General of Civil Aviation/Aero Club of India.

Sharing of Real Estate Deposits at Delhi Airports

1091. SHRI D. RAJA: Will the Minister of CIVILAVIATION be pleased to state:

whether it is a fact that the private developer of Delhi International Airports Ltd. (DIAL) has declined to share its real estate deposits with Airports Authority of India (AAI);

if so, the details thereof;

whether it is also a fact that such a decision would reduce the AAI's revenues considerably; and

if so, what steps have been taken by Government to safeguard the interests of Government owned AAI?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVILAVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) to (d) Delhi International Airport Private Limited (DIAL) had earlier proposed to raise part-finance through security deposit from property development at the airport. The proposal was being processed. In the meanwhile, DIAL has come forward with other options for funding the project and they are being examined.

Ultra modern equipments for Delhi Airport

1092. PROF. ALKABALRAM KSHATRIYA:
SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

whether Government has decided to set up ultra modern equipment at airport for smoother landing at Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA);

if so, the details thereof;

whether similar equipment would be set up at other international and important airports in the country; and

if so, to what extent the landings of planes at airports would be safer?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVILAVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Airports Authority of India (AAI) has already provided CAT-IIIB Instrument Landing System (ILS) at runway 28 at Indira Gandhi International Airport,